



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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10/047,507

Applicant

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Title

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ATTACHING A CONDUIT

TO THE HEART OR A BLOOD VESSEL

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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April 18, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated March 17, 2005, please amend the application as set forth Office Action dated December 15, 2004, please amend the application as set forth hereinafter.

This Amendment cancels rejected claims 1-15. All other claims pending in the application stand as allowed.

Accordingly, this Amendment places the application in condition for allowance.